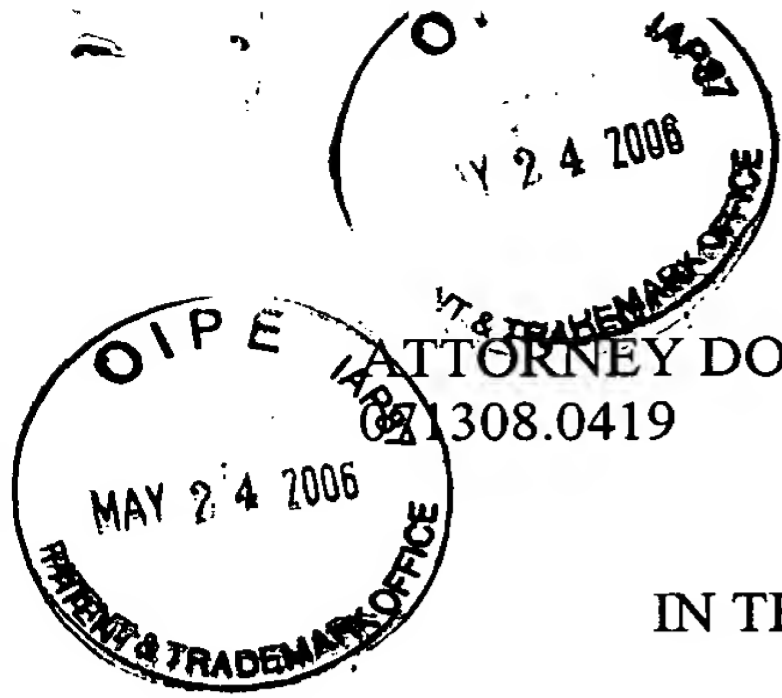


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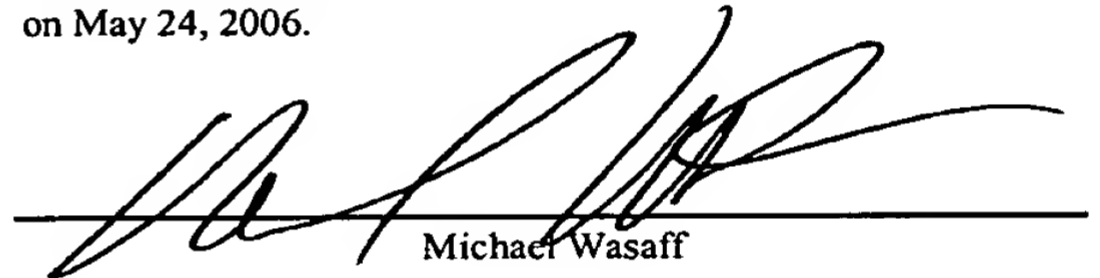
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Final Office Action mailed February 8, 2006, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments set forth below and request favorable action thereon.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.